

DOUBLE PAY GIVEN TO EMPLOYEES OF CITY, SAYS FUNK

Instances Submitted by Auditor Showing Where Laxity Resulted in Loss to City.

BOOKKEEPING HELD FAULTY

Complete Change of System Advocated in Order That Better Records of Deals Be Made.

Not only has the city paid bills twice, but employees have received double pay on occasions, declared Auditor George Funk this morning in supplementary assertions of Monday that wasteful handling of city funds is due to a lax system of accounting.

On occasions, the second warrant has been returned to the city by firms and employes, the auditor said, and sometimes mistakes have been caught in the auditor's office, but there is no way of checking on sums that have gone out in double payments never to return.

Mr. Funk submitted further instances wherein the city had paid twice for one delivery and the second warrant had been returned to the municipality by an honest firm or employe.

Dan Stokes, an employe of the fire bureau, is alleged to have been paid \$66 twice for the same work in January.

John Clements, a municipal shop employe, was overpaid \$12.50 by the city in January, it is claimed.

The Northwest Steel company received two warrants for \$17.25 and returned one, according to the auditor's office. The bill was rendered in December.

The Strowbridge Hardware and Paint company was paid \$4.20 on two occasions for goods delivered in November to the fishboat, Funk says.

Two warrants for \$17.40 were mailed to the Fobes Supply company for one shipment delivered at the shops in January, the records indicate.

Munnell and Sherrill returned the second warrant after they had been paid twice by the park bureau, according to

the auditor. The warrants were drawn in the sum of \$45.90, and the shipment delivered in November.

That the second warrant was returned in each case by the company or employe, is the statement of Mr. Funk. He declares that the system of bookkeeping in several departments is totally inadequate and suggests that all books be kept in the auditor's office. Funk suggests that a man from his office be detailed to each department to afford a system of checking.

"We catch the mistakes sometimes," Funk declared this morning, "but there is no doubt that hundreds of dollars have never been returned to the city. It is entirely the fault of a bad system of bookkeeping and inferior employes. The only way we can tell that the records of the department are incorrect is to check up on the requisition, and in cases of similarity we often remember and catch mistakes. But there should be a complete change of system."

Adolphe Wolfe of Portland Honored By Hebrew Union

Adolphe Wolfe of Portland has been elected to the board of delegates of the union of American Hebrew congregations at the Cincinnati meeting of the executive board of the union.

Among the problems acted upon by the executive board at the meeting was that of obtaining equal rights for Jews in all countries. To this end a commission representing the union will present the claim before the League of Nations in Washington next October.

A fund of \$500,000 to be raised by annual appropriations of \$50,000 from the union's receipts, may be borrowed from Jewish communities for erecting synagogues. A synagogue pension fund of \$1,000,000 will be raised for superannuated rabbis.

Commercial Work Is Begun Today by Railroad Operators

St. Louis, July 1.—(U. P.)—Railroad telegraphers throughout the country today began to handle the business of the Western Union and Postal Telegraph companies again.

Orders calling off the "strike" against the two telegraph companies were issued by E. J. Hanlon, president of the Order of Railway Telegraphers. The order became effective immediately.

Seaside celebrates July Fourth.—Adv.

MAN SAYS HOME WAS QUARANTINED FOR CHICKENPOX

In Complaint to Health Department Edward Patton Wants to Know Who Will Pay Bills.

REPORT OF SMALLPOX MADE

Dr. Parrish Declares Case Was Diagnosed as More Severe Disease Before Ban Put On.

Edward Britton, 6 East Eighty-fourth street north, whose family was confined for two weeks by what he declares was an illegal quarantine applied by the city health bureau, has asked Dr. George Parrish, city health officer, who is going to pay the expense of the alleged false quarantine.

Mr. Britton declares that on June 7 his small daughter suffered from a slight fever, followed by a rash. The next day the family physician pronounced the complaint a case of chicken pox, and accordingly is said to have notified the health bureau. On June 9, Mr. Britton says, a health bureau physician diagnosed the case as mild smallpox and placed a quarantine upon the Britton home, vaccinating Mrs. Britton and her 2-year-old son.

"MILD" SMALLPOX REPORTED

Dr. Parrish contradicts Mr. Britton's statements by saying that the case of the girl was reported to his office by Dr. J. G. Grim as "suspected smallpox," and that Dr. John Abele, for 19 years an authority in smallpox diagnosis, verified the findings. The quarantine was then applied.

Not believing that his child had smallpox, Mr. Britton called another physician on June 10 and the case was again diagnosed chicken pox. On June 13 the same physician again repeated his decision.

"On June 16 the city physician was called on the phone and requested to examine the case again, as I had every reason to believe it was chicken pox," Mr. Britton said, "but I was informed

that the bureau did not make second calls, as they were too busy—that I was in for two weeks. The bureau promised to send a physician if possible. The following morning I called Dr. Parrish on the telephone, explained the case to him in detail and told him I thought I was entitled to further attention. He took the name of my family physician as well as the name of the other physician and promised to investigate the case.

BOY TAKEN SICK

"I heard nothing further from him until I called him again on June 24. In the meantime, although the vaccination failed to take on the boy, he was found broken out on June 21 with even a lighter case than the girl, no fever having been noticed.

"The girl being due out of quarantine on June 24 and no health officer appearing, I called Dr. Parrish and asked him what progress he was making with the investigation. He seemed to have forgotten my case, entirely, and promptly dodged the issue. A lady took up the receiver, telling me there would be someone out tomorrow. I told her I had another case, whereupon she said, 'Oh, then you must stay there two weeks more.'"

LAWYER CALLED

"I then called my lawyer and told him to go after them. The following morning, and at 11 o'clock the same morning the same doctor who quarantined us came and fumigated the house, telling us to take the smallpox card down that evening.

"As we were in quarantine all the time it cannot be disputed that the boy took his case, entirely, and was smallpox, as the city doctor diagnosed it, what did the boy have?"

"If the boy had chickenpox, which the same physician admitted when he raised the quarantine, then what was the necessity to fumigate either case, and especially what was the necessity to fumigate four days after a boy's case developed? I have a lurking suspicion that the city pays health officers for each vaccination, not for each fumigation, otherwise they might not be so eager to apply said preventive measures.

QUARANTINE HELD NECESSARY

"Furthermore, I have since been pondering as to who should pay for the accidental loss of the quarantine such as doctor's fees, lawyer's fees and loss of time."

Questioned about Mr. Britton's statements this morning, Dr. Parrish said: "There is no question about the diagnosis of the case of the Britton child. She had smallpox in a mild form, as Dr. Abele, a recognized authority in the same household was not smallpox and was never pronounced that. There was no reason to quarantine in the second case and the quarantine in the first. If this office declined to quarantine smallpox because of its mild form we would be in a pretty fix trying to control an epidemic."

"Dr. Abele is a recognized authority in the diagnosis of smallpox and he has repeatedly reassured me that there was no mistake in the diagnosis of the first case at the Britton home."

Troops En Route to Camp Spend Part of The Day in Portland

Troop arrivals today included at 12:30 this afternoon, at the union station, a group of 40 and another group of 26 from Newport News, and a group of 30 from Camp Dix. They arrived at 4 o'clock for Camp Lewis for discharge.

New troop movements on their way to Camp Lewis via Portland include: 114 soldiers from Columbia, S. C., who left Monday; 11 from Petersburg, Va., who left Sunday; 82 from Camp Mills, L. I., who leave today; 73 from Newport News, who leave Wednesday.

Due to arrive in Portland at the union station Wednesday between 6 and 7 in the evening are 149 soldiers from Camp Merritt, N. J., who are on a special train. A message has been sent to the commanding officer inviting the troops to be the guests of the city until 1 o'clock Thursday morning.

A hospital train with about 150 sick or wounded soldiers bound for California camps will arrive in Portland tonight at 6:30. The American Red Cross canteen will meet the train and will provide sandwiches, fruit and other refreshments for the boys.

Autoist Drives Into Streetcar to Avoid Injury to a Woman

In an attempt to avoid striking Mrs. D. C. Chapman of 1760 Morris street, V. H. Gallanay, 208 Corbett building, ran his automobile into the street car at Sixty-fifth street and Sandy boulevard this morning, turning over the automobile and tearing off the step of the car. Gallanay says he was going along in the same direction as the car, when Mrs. Chapman stepped from the curb and started across the street, carrying a huge bunch of flowers that completely obstructed her view. He blew his horn, but she seemed not to hear, and at the last minute he was forced to swerve to one side and crashed into the street car. His machine was badly damaged, but no one was hurt.

Elks at the Oaks Tonight Will Help Swell S. A. Funds

The Elks will hold sway at the Oaks tonight. This will be Elks night, with the public generally invited. The proceeds to go to the Salvation Army home service campaign. The Oaks attractions will make special effort to entertain. McElroy's orchestra will play for a big Elks dance, to which all are invited. The Elks are still devising ways and means to fill out Portland's quota in the statewide drive.

Reports from counties outside of Multnomah continue to be encouraging. A number of counties are over their quotas and are adding oversubscriptions. Sherman county sent in a check for \$113 this morning to be added to the one for \$2,000 previously sent. The county's quota is \$1,200, and the Sherman county Elks plan to double it.

Mallory Taken to Prison

Following the decision of the supreme court denying his appeal for a new trial, Dr. W. E. Mallory, Portland physician sentenced in July, 1914, to from one to five years in the penitentiary, after a conviction in the circuit court upon a statutory charge, left today for Salem in charge of a deputy sheriff to begin serving his sentence.

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HOSPITAL IS CALLED UNFIT

Report of City Health Officer to Mayor Condemns Building as Dirty and Unsanitary.

The Kelly Butte smallpox hospital is entirely unfit for the purpose for which it is used and an immediate change is recommended in a report on the hospital submitted to Mayor Baker by Dr. George Parrish, city health officer, this morning.

Dr. Parrish points out that the main building is dark and gloomy, that the rooms in which the patients sleep are even darker, that pipes in the ceiling leak, rendering the dining room wet and

insanitary, and that there are no private rooms for those extremely ill.

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Furthermore there has been no housecleaning for 30 days, due to the absence of a cook, according to the report. The nurse had been compelled to cook and, therefore, had no time to clean.

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